

St. John the Baptist Parish

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2009

Mission Statement of St. John's Parish



Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the community of St. John's Parish works to spread the Gospel message through a ministry of compassion, education, and stewardship. Our life as believers is centered in the Eucharist, which encourages and fosters a deep sense of identity in Christ Jesus and the mission the Lord Jesus calls us to embrace.

We welcome all who have come to worship in our parish community. If you are new to our parish, please introduce yourself to any of the priests or deacon. May we experience together the love of Jesus Christ.

Liturgical Celebrations

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday

Holy Days and Holidays: as announced

Rev. Richard E. Cannon, Pastor

Rev. Mark D. Barr, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Thomas S. Foley, In Residence

Dn. Charles M. Bubello, Senior Deacon

Dn. Paul A. Lewis, Financial Administrator, 617-773-1021

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St. Vincent de Paul Society, 617-472-4908

Sacrament of Matrimony: Congratulations! In order for the priest or deacon to spiritually work with the couple, arrangements must be made at least six months before the wedding date.

Infant Baptism: Celebrated third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Call a Parish Priest or Deacon at least one month in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Lower chapel, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. or by appointment at the rectory.

Confirmation and Holy Orders: Call a Parish Priest or Deacon.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Before you enter the hospital for tests or surgery, we encourage you to celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at one of our Eucharistic celebrations. Priests are not available at the hospital as they once were to anoint patients. We strongly advise you to clearly inform the admissions staff at the hospital that you are Catholic and desire to be visited by one of the Catholic Pastoral Care Ministers.

Eucharistic Adoration in the Lower Church Chapel

- ◆ Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ 1st Saturday: 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 4

8:00 a.m. Memorial Maura & Tommy Hastings
4:00 p.m. 4th Anniversary Elizabeth M. Wadley

Sunday, July 5

7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
9:00 a.m. Anniversary John J. & Helen M. O'Rourke
11:00 a.m. Memorial Anthony, Sally & Catherine Palmisano
5:30 p.m. 4th Anniversary Denise Delaney

Monday, July 6

8:00 a.m. 23rd Anniversary Genevieve Berry

Tuesday, July 7

8:00 a.m. Birthday Remembrance Anne DiTocco

Wednesday, July 8

8:00 a.m. 8th Anniversary Michael Lehtonen

Thursday, July 9

8:00 a.m. Memorial Richard & Michael Piccarini

Friday, July 10

8:00 a.m. Birthday Memorial Grace Costa

Saturday, July 11

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions for Mary Beth & Elizabeth Marie Cammarata
4:00 p.m. 46th Anniversary Charles A. Curran

Sunday, July 12

7:30 a.m. Mass for the People
9:00 a.m. Memorial Alicia Wayland
11:00 a.m. 1st Anniversary Joan Keenan
5:30 p.m.

The Spirituality of Stewardship

*Receiving God's Gifts gratefully;
Nurturing God's Gifts responsibly;
Sharing God's Gifts in love and justice;
Returning God's Gifts generously.*

Sunday Offering for June 27/28 will be printed next week due to the early transmission of this bulletin to our publisher last week because of the 4th of July holiday.

There will be one cause of support this weekend, July 4/5 and next weekend, July 11/12.

July 18/19 has been set aside for the Missionary Cooperation 2009 Appeal at our parish. The missionary priest who will be visiting our parish is Fr. Joseph Gaudet. Additional information will be forthcoming.

Thank you for your generosity!

2009 Catholic Appeal

Responding to God's Grace, Renewing Our Church
Thank you to all supporters of the 2009 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$42,612 from 243 households reaching 78.2% of our parish goal of \$54,500. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. Please remember to make your pledge now even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge towards the end of the year. Every gift matters. If you have not yet made your pledge, envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700 for more information. Every gift matters.



For those who are so generous to the important work of our SVDP Society, please send donations directly to the rectory or please use the blue envelope marked **SVDP** and drop into the regular parish collection. If you or someone you know is a member or lives in St. John's Parish and needs assistance, please contact St. Vincent de Paul. The Society has office hours Wednesday in the school, 6:30-7:30 p.m. For further information, please call 617-472-4908. Our food pantry is sustained through parishioners' donations. There are also baskets at the entrances to the church for your food donations. Thank you for your support.

Your Prayers are Requested for:



All our parishioners who have died recently, and for all our deceased relatives and friends. Also, please remember all those who are ill and please pray for the intentions of all our parishioners.

Donations



The bread and wine have been donated for the week of July 5 in memory of John J. & Helen M. O'Rourke. If you would like to make a memorial donation for the altar bread and/or the altar wine in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please call the rectory at 617-773-1021. The donation for the altar bread or the altar wine is \$30 for one week (\$60 for both).



Bulletin notices must be received by the rectory no later than 4:00 p.m. on Mondays.



We hope and pray that all our parishioners are having a happy and safe 4th of July weekend

“We have no government armed in power capable of contending in human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate for the government of any other.”

John Adams address to the Officers of the First Brigade of the 3rd Division of the Militia of Massachusetts October 11, 1798

“Intelligence, patriotism...and a firm reliance on Him who has never yet forsaken this favored land are still competent to adjust in the best way all our present difficulty.”

Abraham Lincoln First Inaugural Address March 4, 1861

“It is the duty of every man to render to the Creator such homage and such only as he believes to be acceptable to Him. This duty is precedent, both in order of time and degree of obligation, to the claims of Civil Society. Before any man can be considered as a subject of the Governor of the Universe.”

James Madison

“Memorial and Remonstrance of 1785”

Wedding Banns

- II Marc Castelli & Carmela Guarino
- III Matthew Tobin & Julie Vaughan



Christ in the City - Deacon Paul Lewis is presenting a DVD lecture series on Tuesday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. This series presents Fr. George Rutler’s, pastor of Church of our Saviour in New York

City, ever insightful thoughts on various themes that help us find Christ in every day life. All are invited to attend; there is no tuition and no examinations. Light refreshments and hospitality are also included.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Couples who make Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy and romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger and healthier. For more information call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-WWME or visit our webpage at www.wwmeMA.org.

Father Bill’s & MainSpring 15th Annual Food Fest & Auction

To be held on Tuesday, July 28 at 6:00 p.m., Marina Bay Beach Club, Quincy. Tickets are \$100 and raffle tickets for a trip for two to St. Thomas will be 1 for \$20 or 3 for \$50. Visit www.fatherbillsmainspring.org to purchase tickets online or call 617-376-2255. This is a tasting event featuring 35 restaurants, wine shops, and bakeries. Proceeds help end homelessness in our community.



God of our forebears,
in tumultuous times our ancestors made their way to a new land, seeking prosperity and peace. The wealth of a new nation lay before them, as well as the challenge to use wisely the gifts of the good earth and the industriousness of a people forged in the crucible of revolution and the high-minded ideals of life and liberty. Strengthen within us the pursuit of justice, the desire for equality, the love of true freedom. May all the citizens of our country work unceasingly to promote the common good so that all may share in the pursuit of happiness sought by the founders of our land.
Amen.

Candlelight Rosary Procession

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, 103 Center Street, Bridgewater, will host the third of this season’s Candlelight Rosary Processions on Monday, July 13 at 8 p.m. The guest speaker for July 13 will be Rev. Edward McLaughlin of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Bridgewater.

The Processions, held on the 13th of the month from May through October, are in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. We especially urge families to attend this service - “The Family That Prays Together Stays together.” The church has ample parking and is handicapped accessible.

Triduum in Honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel July 14, 15 & 16

A bus will leave St. John’s at 6:20 p.m. each night. There will be a love offering for each night you attend. Call to reserve - 617-296-2765

St. John the Baptist Parish

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When children are very young, say around two or three years of age, their entire world exists within the walls of their home. And all that they are, all they believe, comes from their parents. In fact, in those young eyes, their parents are perfect; they believe everything Mom and Dad tell them is the truth, and they will do anything they ask (usually!). But as they grow older, and the world outside of those walls grows louder, the perfections of Mom and Dad seem to begin to falter. They are looked at through doubtful eyes, their wisdom challenged at nearly every turn. Often it is not until years later that we realize they were the same wise parents all along.



When Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time before his crucifixion, he cried. Not for his fate, but because those around him did not realize of their impending salvation. In today's Gospel, Jesus has returned to Nazareth to teach in the synagogue, yet his own people doubt his truth, remembering him as a boy and as the son of a carpenter. He remarks that prophets such as him are always scorned by those who know them best, the people of their hometown.

As children, our innocent faith and belief in God is unwavering. As we grow older, we sometimes question our beliefs and put aside our faith, rather than grow even closer to Christ. This is because "Faith seeks understanding" (CCC 158). Everything else in this world is explained visually through tangible facts; only faith can come from our hearts. Perhaps Jesus cried not only for those who saw his miracles yet did not believe, but also for us who did not see. Our challenge is to be as children in our faith, unwavering, open and believing with all our hearts.

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Remembering the parish in your will is a wonderful way to thank God for your blessings and to help St. John's Parish and our many good works.

EVENTS						
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**Calendar of St. John's
Upcoming Dates & Events**

Saturday, July 4

8:30-10:00 a.m. First Saturday Devotions Lower Chapel

Tuesday, July 7

9:00 a.m. Christ in the City Lower Church

Wednesday, July 8

8:30-9:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation Lower Chapel
6:30 p.m. St. Vincent De Paul Society School

Friday, July 10

8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration Lower Chapel

Community Service Opportunity

Come serve the poor in Eastern Kentucky on your vacation! Come learn more about our annual *Appalachian Service-Retreat* the week of August 8-15. An informational meeting will be held on Monday, July 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the McPherson Conference Room, Our Lady Help of Christians Church (lower church), Newton. Call Fr. Ed Riley at 781-767-0605 for more information.



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Welcome to St. John's We encourage all our parishioners who worship with us to register. Our registry is a vital source of information that we use when we need to contact parishioners. Please call the rectory, 617-773-1021, or return this form to the rectory by the collection basket, mail, or in person. Would you like to have the bulletin emailed to you?

If you would, please give us your email address: _____

Name: _____ Tel. # _____

Address: _____ City _____ ZIP _____

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